

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

19. (Currently amended) The method of claim 17, wherein said responding  
5 comprises sending said command [[form]] from said write stack.
24. (Currently amended) A method for writing data to a disk drive,  
comprising:
- receiving a write command at an array controller;  
10 receiving said write command at a write stack~~[[:]]~~ drive from said array  
controller;
- performing write stack operations for said write command on a non--  
volatile cache memory with said write stack drive, wherein said write stack  
operations store said data on tracks of said non-volatile cache memory;
- 15 receiving said write command at a normal drive;  
executing write operations at said normal drive with said data; and  
indicating from said write stack drive to said array controller that said  
write command is complete.
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Respectfully Submitted,  
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